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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Only Answer

If the British textile representatives had put great store by their ability to talk their counterparts in Hongkong into voluntarily restricting exports to Britain, they probably feel their mission, now ended, was a complete failure. But it is unlikely these hard-headed businessmen really expected to obtain such a sacrificial concession from the Colony's textile leaders, and they are therefore able to evaluate the usefulness of their visit in less ambitious, but more realistic terms.

Two points were emphasised in the joint statement issued at the end of the talks: that the exchange of views had been friendly as well as frank, thus enabling both sides to gain deeper respect of each other's problems created by increased production costs and a fiercely competitive textile market; and that the British mission had obtained a valuable first-hand appreciation of the efficiency and working conditions in the Colony's textile mills. The effect should be to clear away many misunderstandings and beguiling misconceptions.

There is no question of Hongkong feeling elated because our textile representatives refused to make concessions to the British Cotton Board mission. The visitors were in no position to strike a bargain; they had nothing reciprocal to offer. Nor could they point to the possibility of any change in the Imperial Government's policy relating to the imposition of quotas on colonial products, to bolster their pleas for voluntary concessions. The position of the Hongkong representatives was much clearer. The Colony's textile industry cannot afford at this time to self-impose restrictions on production and exports. Moreover there is nothing to show that if this were done it would rescue Lancashire from its textile trade doldrums. A polite "No" was the only answer Hongkong could give to the request of the Cotton Board mission. Nevertheless it would be unwise for our industrialists to assume that the pressure for British government action will now be taken off. That it will be relaxed during the life of the present government is fairly certain. But a change in the political complexion of parliament two years hence may vastly alter the situation. Noticeably it is Socialist MPs who are today urging the imposition of quotas and other import restrictions.

SOLDIERS MAY GO TO WAR WITH A HYPODERMIC

...REPORTS CHAPMAN PINCHER ON THE LATEST ANTI-GAS RESEARCH FINDINGS

London, Jan. 30. Plans to let combat soldiers inject themselves with a dangerous dose of the drug Belladonna are being worked out by the War Office. Army scientists have declared this is the only way troops can be protected against latest poison gases. Tests on volunteers at the chemical defence station on Salisbury Plain have proved

that Belladonna or Atropine, as doctors call it, is an effective antidote to "nerve gases" which are absorbed through the skin and paralyse the nervous system. But it has to be given so quickly after a gas attack that each soldier will have to inject himself.

Troops would therefore be issued with injection needles and Belladonna as part of their field equipment. An effective dose against gases is at least double the normal

amount used by doctors. A soldier would be out of action for hours because the

drug blurs the vision, steps up the heart rate and interferes with breathing.

"A large proportion of the men may collapse and the military efficiency of the remainder may be negligible, especially in hot conditions," Dr Harry Gullumburne has warned the Royal Army Medical Corps. "But that is preferable to

death from nerve gas poisoning."

Nerve gases were first discovered by the Germans during the war. They were stockpiled in bombs and shells and never used. Belladonna is extracted from the leaves of the Deadly Nightshade plant which grows wild in Britain.—London Express Service.

Egyptian PoW Asks To Go To Britain

Tel Aviv, Jan. 29. An Egyptian Army Captain has refused repatriation with the rest of the Egyptian prisoners of war and has been granted political asylum in Israel. It was announced today.

The officer, Captain Yousef Nada, told reporters he wanted to go to Britain, where he was born and where his English mother's family still lived. Captain Nada claims to hold dual Egyptian-British nationality.

REQUEST GRANTED: His request for temporary asylum in Israel had been granted.

He had been a company commander in the 44th Palestine Infantry Regiment of the Egyptian eighth division, and was captured at El Arish in the Sinai Peninsula early in November.

In Tel Aviv tonight Captain Nada told reporters that his father, Mohammed Abdel Aziz Nada, was dean of a technical college in Kuwait.

He had left no members of his family in Egypt.

"My greatest desire now is to return to Britain to resume my studies in psychology," he declared.

Captain Nada said that his company of 125 men had been stationed near Rafia when the Sinai campaign began. "Eighty of them were killed, others fled, and only I and six others managed to reach El Arish where we were taken prisoner."

FASCIST EGYPT Explaining his request for asylum, he said he had been the first Egyptian war prisoner taken out by the Israeli authorities for a sightseeing trip round the country.

On his return to camp his fellow officers held a "court martial" and sentenced him to death for treason.

Asked his views on Egypt today Captain Nada said Egypt was "fascist state, a dictatorship with power in the hands of a clique of officers who keep the best positions for themselves and their relatives."

—Reuter.

SANDYS-DULLES: 'WE AGREE'

Big Defence Talks Held In Washington

WEAPON SHARING PLAN

Washington, Jan. 29.

The British Defence Minister, Mr Duncan Sandys, said today after a long talk with Mr John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State, on the political aspects of defence planning that they had found themselves "in full accord on all the main subjects we have discussed."

This afternoon's talk at the State Department was the second meeting between the two ministers since Mr Sandys' arrival on Sunday.

Mr Sandys said his comment also applied to his discussions at the Defence Department where he and a group of guided missile and other scientific experts have been discussing dovetailing British and United States modern weapons development.

It was known that one of the subjects Britain wanted to raise was the question of cutting defence expenditures in Europe, and this would almost certainly affect British garrisons in Germany.

RETURNING Mr Sandys, pressed by reporters, defined the Defence Department talks as follows: "We have been discussing the question of closer co-operation in the military field between the United States and Great Britain and comparing military planning and strategic thinking with the objective of securing the closest possible co-operation and avoidance of overlapping effort." He refused to go into details.

On his talks with Mr Dulles, he said that some of the military questions he was negotiating had important political international aspects, and that was what he and Mr Dulles and their advisers had exchanged views on this afternoon.

Mr Sandys is leaving for Ottawa in the morning and is due back in Washington on Thursday night for at least one more day's talks in the Defence Department.—Reuter.

Desperado Student Pilot In Solo Terror Flight

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 29. A student pilot stole a single-engine plane at gun-point and buzzed Des Moines at rooftop level for nearly four hours today before crashing in a field.

The errant pilot was Roy Frederick Soderquist, 25, whose ambitions had been to enter the Air Force. His wild three-hour 45-minute flight drew thousands of people to the streets to watch the plane swoop alongside Des Moines' tallest buildings and dart out of reach of pursuing Air National Guard jets and police planes.

The Des Moines airport was closed to all traffic and commercial airlines were ordered to steer clear of the city to avoid a collision.

ON TV Police and commercial radios gave minute-by-minute accounts of the wild ride and television screens brought a view of the plane to home screens throughout the city whenever the runaway flew low enough.

Soderquist, described by his mother as "three years younger mentally than his age," was taken into custody as soon as he crashed in the stolen Cessna 172 plane.

He had put down several times on open fields during his wild ride but took off again each time. The last time he came down his fuel was exhausted and a wheel collapsed. The plane hit a fence and crashed into a field inside the West Des Moines City limits.

Friends said Soderquist had been disappointed because he had not been allowed to fly solo after taking flying lessons for three years.—United Press.

Egypt Gets Red Wheat London, Jan. 29. A Russian ship, the Chelyuskinets, has left the Soviet port of Odessa with a load of wheat for Egypt, Moscow Radio reported today.

The broadcast said the wheat was shipped under the Russo-Egyptian trade agreement.—United Press.

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'HUNGARY WAS RED WAR BASE'

New York, Jan. 29.

Major General Bela Khruly, Former Commander-in-Chief of the Hungarian National Guard, told a special United Nations Committee today that up till last year the Russians were building up Hungary "as a base for aggression against the West."

General Khruly, who led Budapest's "freedom fighters" during the Hungarian uprising, said there had been "fervent modernisation of airfields and new airfield construction."

Hungarian factories, he said, sent war equipment to Korea and other Communist countries. He added that despite the 1945 peace treaty limits Hungary had armed forces totalling 250,000 men on active service.

"PUREST" He added: "It is a more realistic stand than taken and more effective moral support given, the Hungarian revolution could have been victorious and the Hungarian people could have retained the freedom which they had momentarily gained."

Another witness, Mr. Joseph Kovacs, exiled former Mayor of Budapest described the October uprising as "the purest and most dignified revolution in history (which) broke out in the Hungarian capital and (whose) impact carried away everybody."

He declared he was in a position to state solemnly that no constitutionally competent Government organ gave any permission for Soviet armed intervention in the crisis.—Reuter.

THREW PARTIES During the crossing, the saloon terrace, reserved for the King, was transformed into a "Throne Room".

A magnetic compass was installed there, so that the King could always tell the direction of Mecca while making his daily prayers.

During the crossing, the King gave a special dinner for passengers of all classes and crew members, totalling in all more than 1,700 people.—France-Press.

'30 Hurt' In Plane Crash

Paris, Jan. 29.

A four-engine Air France airliner with 67 people aboard crashed on its third attempt at landing tonight on a flight from Tunis.

An Airline spokesman said "about 30 people were injured but nobody was killed."

The force of the impact tore the plane's wings loose from the fuselage and two engines free from the wings. One of the engines burst into flames, but there was no explosion.—United Press.

Tito Offended Belgrade, Jan. 29.

The official Yugoslav Communist Party newspaper, Borba, said tonight the projected visit of President Tito to the United States was "absolutely unacceptable" in present "conditions."

It was commenting on American press opposition to the projected visit, and suggested from some American Congress members that it should be curtailed.—France-Press.

Ridiculous Idea Washington, Jan. 29.

A State Department spokesman today dismissed as "ridiculous" Communist Chinese Premier, Chou En-lai's hint that the 10 American airmen imprisoned in China might be released in exchange for 33 Chinese, allegedly held in the United States.—France-Press.

Red Threat To Strengthen Warsaw Pact

Paris, Jan. 29.

The Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia said today they were "resolved to reinforce the Warsaw Pact" because the Western powers did not want to disband Nato, Radio Moscow reported.

In a joint statement signed in Moscow after top-level talks, the Soviet and Czech leaders said the application of Marxist principles could vary in different Socialist countries.

The Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia "refused to accept

the fait accompli of resuscitated German militarism," the statement said.

The only guarantee against German militarism was the conclusion of a European collective security pact, which would settle the German problem.

It went on to say that "since the Western powers do not want to liquidate Nato, the USSR and Czechoslovakia are resolved to reinforce the Warsaw Pact." This would

increase European and world security, the statement said.

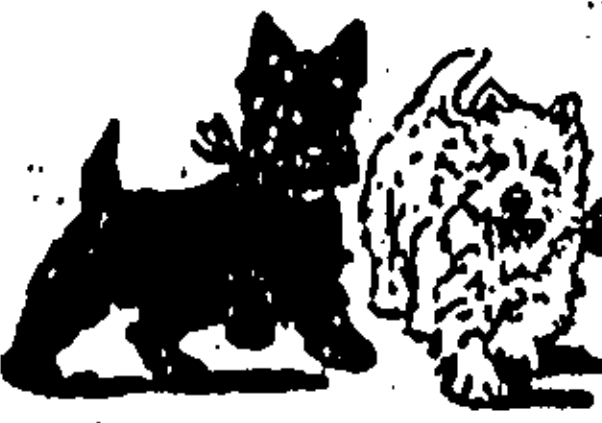
The strengthening of the Warsaw pact to meet the threat of German militarism was the only possible "remedy," the statement added.

Czechoslovakia would continue to supply the Soviet Union with uranium ore "because the Czech people know the ore will be used for peaceful purposes and that the nuclear weapon in Soviet hands is not a threat to world peace."

—France-Press.

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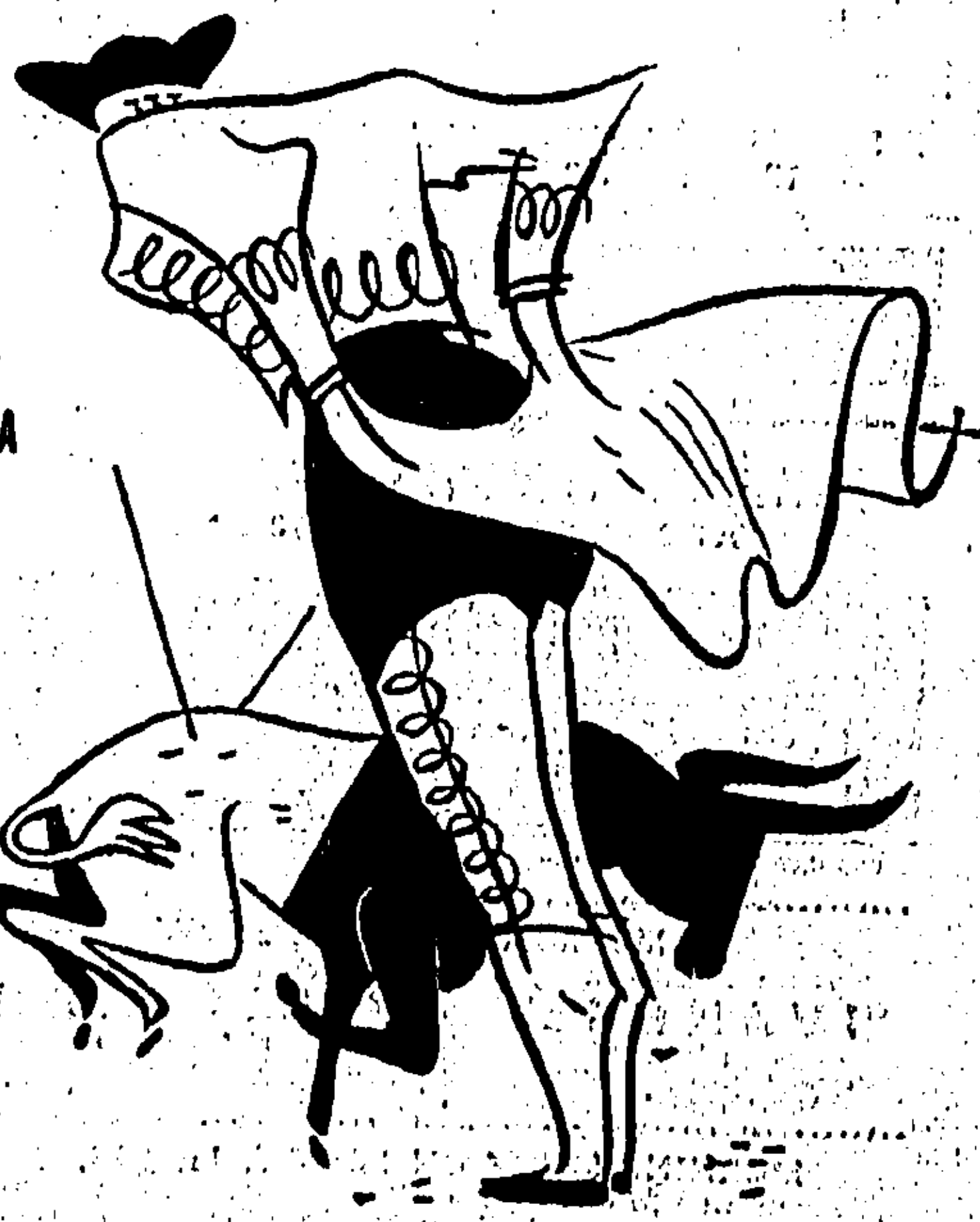
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US VULNERABLE TO SOVIET AIR ATTACK

DEMOCRATS' OPINION

Washington, Jan. 29.

Democratic members of a special Air Force subcommittee said today that the vulnerability of the United States to a surprise Soviet air attack was steadily increasing.

The three Democratic members of the subcommittee, reporting on an investigation last year into US airpower, said the Soviet Union had taken the lead from the US in numbers of modern combat aircraft and was "rapidly closing the qualitative gap" that the US still maintained.

The Democratic subcommittee members said the Administration, had often placed financial considerations above the requirements of the serious damage of our airpower strength

relative to that of Russia, and hence to our national security.

Unduly Pessimistic

The two Republican members of the subcommittee, in their own report, said those statements were "unduly pessimistic." They added that "our air power and our naval strength, together with our ground forces, make us superior to the Soviet Union today," and said America could never "engage in a numbers race with Russia."

Senator Stuart Symington (Democrat) was chairman of the subcommittee. Other members were Democratic Senators Henry Jackson and Sam Ervin, and Republican Senator Everett Sinton.

Other points in the Democratic report were:

"The defenses of the United States have been weakened because of the failure to act on national intelligence information and also because of a tendency to either ignore or underestimate Soviet military progress."

"We (the US) now have an insufficient number of long-range modern jet bombers and there is no programme to produce a sufficient number."

Vulnerability

"The Department of Defense has failed to develop an adequate defence warning system."

"The direction and planning of our strength against the United States is vulnerable to submarine attack against our shipping and particularly vulnerable to submarine missile attack on military and civilian targets within our homeland."

Reuter.

SMALL-POX EPIDEMIC

Calcutta, Jan. 29.
Small-pox with today officially declared to have reached epidemic proportions in Calcutta, according to official figures. There have been 100 deaths from small-pox and 140 attacks of the disease. Nearly 1,100,000 have been vaccinated in an effort to halt the epidemic of the disease, which is one of Calcutta's annual killers.—France-Press.

Talked Into Bridge By Mr K?

London, Jan. 29.

The construction of a highway bridge across the Firth of Forth in Scotland will begin in the summer of 1958, John Macleay, Secretary of State for Scotland, told the House of Commons today.

The decision ended a long controversy in Scotland which was touched upon by Soviet Communist Party chief, Nikita Khrushchev, when he visited the region last year.

Khrushchev told newsmen at that time that he had been greatly impressed by the mile-long cantilever bridge, but added that the British Government should agree to Scottish demands for the construction of a modern highway bridge.—France-Press.

Colombo, Jan. 29.

The General Council of Ceylon's Bank Employees Association today called for a general Bank strike in this country.

Several banks have already been paralysed by sporadic strikes for four days. Today the Council directed its president to call all other banks out on strike without any further union meetings.

The Government was meanwhile studying the possibility of scrapping the Industrial Court and referring the bank dispute to direct negotiation between the union and individual managements.—United Press.

Finn Premier Leaves For Russia

Helsinki, Jan. 29.

Mr Karl Fagerholm, the Finnish Prime Minister, left here today for an eight-day official visit to the Soviet Union.

He will tell the Soviet Government that Finland will have to find new markets following the breakdown this year of the "Eurasian" trading system, which is used by Finland and the Soviet Union, it was understood here.

Under this system Poland, Czechoslovakia, East Germany and Rumania have been delivering goods to Finland on a Soviet account. Finland "paid" for these goods by deliveries to the Soviet Union, who in turn paid Poland, Czechoslovakia, East Germany and Rumania by her own deliveries of them.

OTHER CURRENCIES

These countries have now insisted that their trade this year with Finland be bilateral which means that Finland must pay for her imports from them either with such Finnish goods as the countries are prepared to accept or with Western currencies of which all four countries and Finland are short.

Many Finns privately expressed the hope that Mr Fagerholm would also discuss the return to Finland of Vilnius, formerly Finland's second largest city, and other areas in Karelia ceded to the Soviet Union.—Reuter.

Indian Envoy Discusses Kashmir

London, Jan. 29.

Indian High Commissioner, Mrs Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, discussed the Kashmir question in a talk today with the Foreign Secretary, Mr Evelyn Lloyd, diplomatic circles said.

The Foreign Office meeting lasted a half hour.

The Foreign Office recalled yesterday that the Kashmir issue was still before the United Nations Security Council and expressed the hope that the Council would find a constructive solution.—France-Press.

CROWDED UN AGENDA

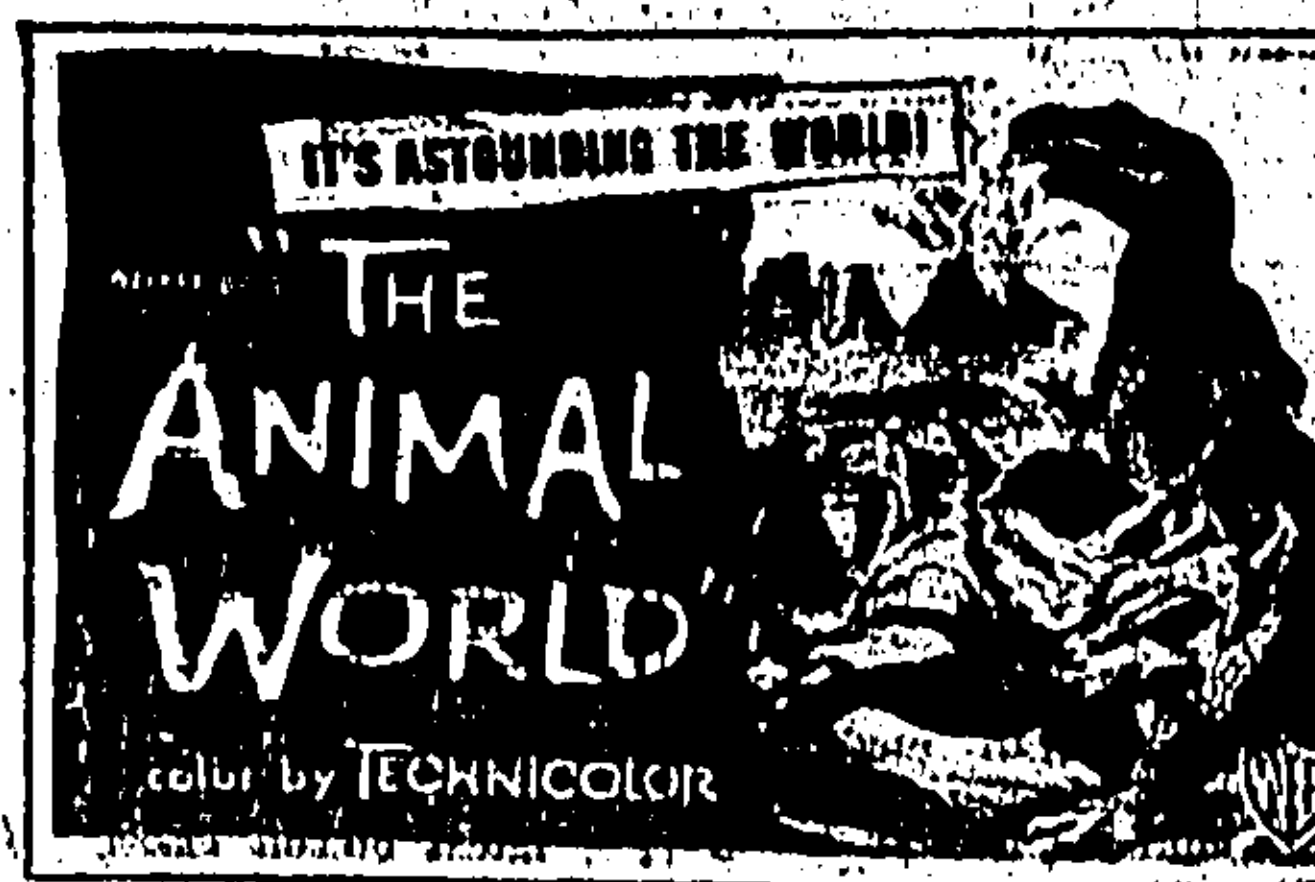
United Nations, Jan. 29.

The Algerian debate was not expected to begin before next Monday in the United Nations Political Committee because of the crowded agenda, and especially the debates on the Gaza strip and the Gulf of Aqaba, political observers considered today.

The French Foreign Minister, Christian Pineau, will speak first in the debate, followed by Arab delegates, and then by other members of the Political Committee, who wish to take part.—France-Press.

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NEW SPY RING ALLEGATIONS

Ottawa, Jan. 29.

Justice Minister Stuart Garson declined in the Commons today to give details of Royal Canadian mounted police co-operation in the investigation of an alleged new Soviet spy ring in the United States.

He told Parliament that the Canadian Government's policy was "careful to refrain from disclosing any information on security matters," especially when the security services of friendly countries were involved.

Garson confirmed, however, that the RCMP had been co-operating with the US Federal Bureau of Investigation in the investigation of Jack and Myra Sobie and Jacob Albert of New York City, accused of Soviet espionage.

In American Press

John Diefenbaker, Conservative Opposition leader, asked Garson if the activities of the Sobies in their business connections "in Canada had been related in any way with the Russian Embassy here."

Garson said any information he might give on that point could conceivably be of more value to governments which were not so friendly with Canada as the United States.

Diefenbaker said such information was available in the American press and asked when Parliament was being denied the information.

Garson said that when the cases go to trial, the court hearings will have to be in public, and all information necessary to secure a conviction would have to be made public.

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Supreme Commander Confident Of Weapon-Plane Superiority

New York, Jan. 29.

General Lauris Norstad, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, said here today the Western allies had enough weapons and enough planes to annihilate a possible enemy.

In a speech at a dinner of the American Council on NATO here he said: "About our power to destroy I have no doubt whatever."

"The validity of the deterrent principle is not affected by the size of the Soviet air or missile fleet."

"Whether their fleets are 80 per cent of ours or 90 per cent or even 100 per cent we still have enough weapons, enough planes to deliver the weapons and enough bases for these planes to annihilate the enemy and the enemy could not prevent it."

General Norstad added: "An adequate defensive force must be maintained in Europe."

Vital Mission

"I do not refer to a symbolic force in accordance with the so-called trip wire or plate glass window concept but a shield force of size and strength charged with the vital mission of defending all NATO territory and all NATO people."

"Nothing less would meet the mutual obligation of the North Atlantic Treaty. A defence that failed to protect our European allies from invasion would be no defence at all."

General Norstad said the shield force must also hold the bases from which a retaliatory force would operate.

"Were these bases lost the power of NATO's air attack would be dangerously impaired."

General Norstad said: "Nothing could be more troubling to the spirit that so far has animated NATO than a suspicion however faint that some of its partners were withdrawing behind their own frontiers counting upon their long-range weapons to preserve the balance."

Most Important

It was most important to the fostering of the Atlantic alliance that "the United States, Canada, and Britain maintain troops on the Continent of Europe in conventional numbers."

"Moreover the presence of these troops on European soil—their physical, visible, tangible presence, alongside the ground and air forces of the European nations—will be a steady reminder to the Russians that any aggression will be met by a powerful and determined NATO force."



GENERAL NORSTAD

Instantly bring down on them the total power of the alliance."

General Norstad said that as long as the Soviet threat remained NATO would need a stout shield.

"Indeed the shield is not yet stout enough. There still are marked weaknesses in our air defence system. Our ground forces are not yet what they should be."

"These deficiencies are being corrected. For example I am happy to tell you the German Government has informed us that during the coming year it will take a long step towards its eventual contribution of naval forces, 12 divisions and 1,300 aircraft."

The General said that as an international officer he was troubled by "the disparity between American weapons and those of our allies... I am speaking specifically of our nuclear delivery systems."

Adds Strength

"That the United States can produce weapons which multiply by many times the capacity of a man on the battlefield adds to the total strength of the alliance."

Whatever strengthens one NATO nation strengthens all."

General Norstad said the apparent containment of the

Soviet threat of 1951-1952 did not end the benefits of NATO.

"Out of a recovered sense of common purpose, out of the experience of a partnership successfully assembled in time of peril, welled up a spirit that transformed Western Europe. A truly extraordinary economic recovery followed. This could hardly have proceeded so fast, or gone so far, without the security that NATO provided."

"Now the danger is seen again in bold outline. The Russian offensive launched by Khrushchev and Bulganin has evaporated. Once again we hear from the East the familiar chorus of misrepresentation and abuse."

"The surge of Soviet armour into Hungary supplied proof—if further proof were needed—that the Kremlin's objectives remain unchanged and that force remains its favoured instrument."

No Illusions

"And once again the importance of NATO's strength is emphasised for Americans and, indeed, for all the nations of the free world."

General Norstad said, "I am convinced that the Russians are under no illusion as to the strength and determination of the NATO community."

"I have said that the north-south line, 4,000 miles long, between NATO and the Soviet bloc, is the most sensitive political line across the face of the earth, never before, in the history of collective security arrangements, has a combination of great powers ever drawn a line so sharp. At no other line do the nation-partners of the West have such firm, such unequivocal commitments."

"The Russians understand this. In the last analysis, the existence of this line is what has kept them out of Western Europe."

The General said the hard core of the West's military strength was its retaliatory forces.

"Their most powerful single element is the United States Strategic Air Command, controlled by the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff."

Large And Strong

"If the NATO line were violated, if our alliance were attacked, the great power of SAC, as well as the British Bomber Command, would at once be brought into play."

"Then directly under my control as SACEUR (Supreme Allied Commander Europe), there are forces drawn from member nations and assigned to NATO."

"These forces are large and they are strong—much stronger, I suspect, than is commonly realised."

"Numerically, they are four to five times stronger than they were five years ago, and they are infinitely more effective."

"They are becoming still more so. SHAPE (Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe) has an important atomic capability of its own."

Play Full Part

"Should it ever be necessary for us to defend ourselves, this Allied command can and will play its full part in destroying the aggressor."

General Norstad said that in spite of NATO's retaliatory forces there remained "the possibility that war could start because the enemy made an error in judgment or took some reckless or opportunistic action."

Because of this chance, "we cannot omit or slink at any point along our eastern frontiers the defensive strength which the Soviet threat dictates."

Reuter.

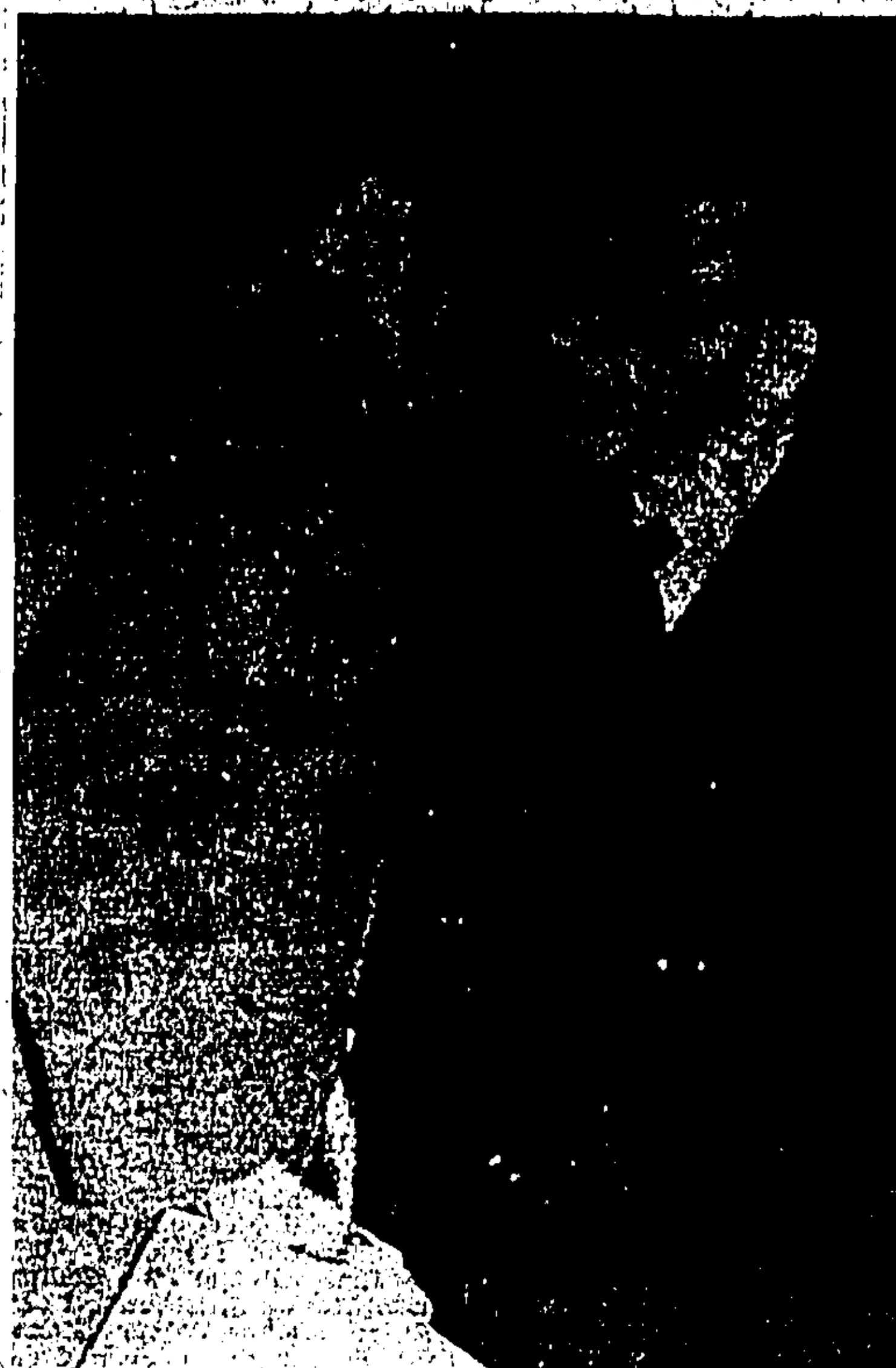
Panchen Lama Flies Home

Kailash, Jan. 29. The Panchen Lama left Bagdogra, Northwest Bengal today for Tibet in a Chinese plane.

In a farewell message to Mr. Nehru, the Prime Minister, he expressed his hope that his visit to India would further strengthen friendly relations between the two countries.

Meanwhile, the Dalai Lama has arrived in Gangtok, Sikkim, from Kalimpong.—Reuter.

Iraq Prince In Britain



Crown Prince Abdul Ilah of Iraq, the uncle of King Faisal, is pictured, left, on his arrival at London Airport being greeted by Zaid Ibn-al-Hussein, Iraq's Ambassador to London. The Crown Prince, on his way to the United Nations General Assembly in New York, had talks while in Britain with Prime Minister Harold Macmillan and Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd.—Express Photo.

UN Convention On Nationality Of Married Women

United Nations, Jan. 29.

The United Nations General Assembly today adopted a convention on the nationality of married women and voted to open the treaty for signature and ratification at the end of the current session.

The vote was 48 to two (Egypt, Syria) with 23 abstentions. The United States, France, Spain, Italy, Belgium and Austria were among the abstainers.

The convention provides that marriage or divorce shall not prevent a woman from retaining her original nationality and also covers privileged naturalisation procedures for alien wives.

Further threatened abstentions were avoided when the Assembly voted by 31 votes to 26, with 18 abstentions, a British amendment to insert a "territorial clause" into the convention.

Egypt and Syria voted against the convention on grounds that the British amendment was discriminatory and prevented automaticity from applying automatically to all parts of the world.—United Press.

Demonstrations In Hungarian Schools

Paris, Jan. 30. Anti-Communist and anti-Soviet demonstrations took place in many Hungarian schools on January 29, exactly three months after the outbreak of the October rebellion, Budapest radio reported on Tuesday evening.

The radio was quoting a statement by Mr. Albert Konyi, Education Minister in the Government of János Kádár.

According to Mr. Konyi, these demonstrations against communism and in favour of religious education were a warning to the Government that it should take energetic measures to fight counter-revolutionary activities in this field also.

France-Press.

INDIAN MEASURES AGAINST "FOREIGNERS"

New Delhi, Jan. 29. The Indian Government today issued a decree to control the movement of Pakistani and South African nationals in India.

All Pakistanis and South Africans who come to India will have to register with authorities and report their movements within the country to the police.

If they stay beyond the expiration period of their visa, they can be deported.—United Press.

Arabs Boycott Luncheon For NY Mayor

New York, Jan. 29.

Saudi Arabian, Egyptian, Syrian, Lebanese and Iraqi members of the Society of Foreign Consuls today boycotted a testimonial luncheon by the Society to the Mayor of New York, Mr. Robert Wagner.

A spokesman for the Society said that the boycott was decided upon before the Mayor refused to welcome King Saud because Mr. Wagner was considered by the Arabs "pro-Jewish and anti-Arab."

Yesterday, Mr. Wagner refused to welcome King Saud of Saudi Arabia, who is here on an official visit because he considered King Saud "anti-Jewish and anti-Catholic."

King Was Hurt

A Saudi Arabian spokesman said the absence of "red-carpet" welcome "didn't bother" the King, adding: "naturally he was hurt, but he was concerned with his primary purpose, to see the President and discuss international questions."

The ban on the New York greetings drew divided newspaper comment today. The New York Post described the ban on official greetings as "a heartening display of self-restraint." The New York World-Telegram said it was a "new low in political haying."

King Saud is spending the day in New York before flying to Washington tomorrow for his talks with President Eisenhower.

Soon after landing, the King issued a statement asserting that the Middle East situation now "requires all men of goodwill and firm intentions to unite in their efforts in the service of a general peace."

Later King Saud was given an elaborate reception at the United Nations headquarters. He was met there by Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, the Secretary-General, who later gave a luncheon in his honour.

Luncheon Guests

The King was wearing a gold brocade and his white head-dress was surmounted by a gold eagle.

Guests at the luncheon included Sir Esmat Diaa of Britain, M. Guillaume George-Picot of France, and Dr. Ronald Walker of Australia as members of the Security Council.

Mrs. Golda Meir, the Israeli Foreign Minister, declined to attend.

A United States destroyer squadron met the King's ship, SS Constitution, and fired a 21-gun salute in the King's honour.

During the crossing, the ship's forward observation lounge was converted into a "harem room."

It had a compass so that the King could determine the direction of the holy city of Mecca, which he faced five times a day to pray.

Captain Labelle said that after he had assured King Saud he would be quite safe aboard a United States' ship, the King ordered his bodyguards to put away their machineguns.

Children's Parties

Members of the crew said the King liked to promenade the decks, meeting other passengers and playing cards and draughts with members of his own party.

He held three parties for the 157 children aboard, including one in honour of his son, aged four.

Cost of the passage for the royal party was \$5,000 dollars (\$12,500). They had 300 pieces of baggage.—Reuter.

Resignations From Cabinet Not Caused By Suez

London, Jan. 29.

In a debate in the House of Lords today, Lord Salisbury, Lord President of the Council, categorically denied that the Cabinet, of former Premier Sir Anthony Eden resigned, not only because of the Prime Minister's poor health but also because of the "breakdown of the Suez policy."

Lord Salisbury said the Prime Minister became ill, and in the ordinary constitutional manner, other ministers tendered their resignations at the same time. "They did not resign on a question of policy," he said.

"I am glad to have the opportunity of saying that it had nothing whatever to do with the Suez policy," he added.—France-Press.

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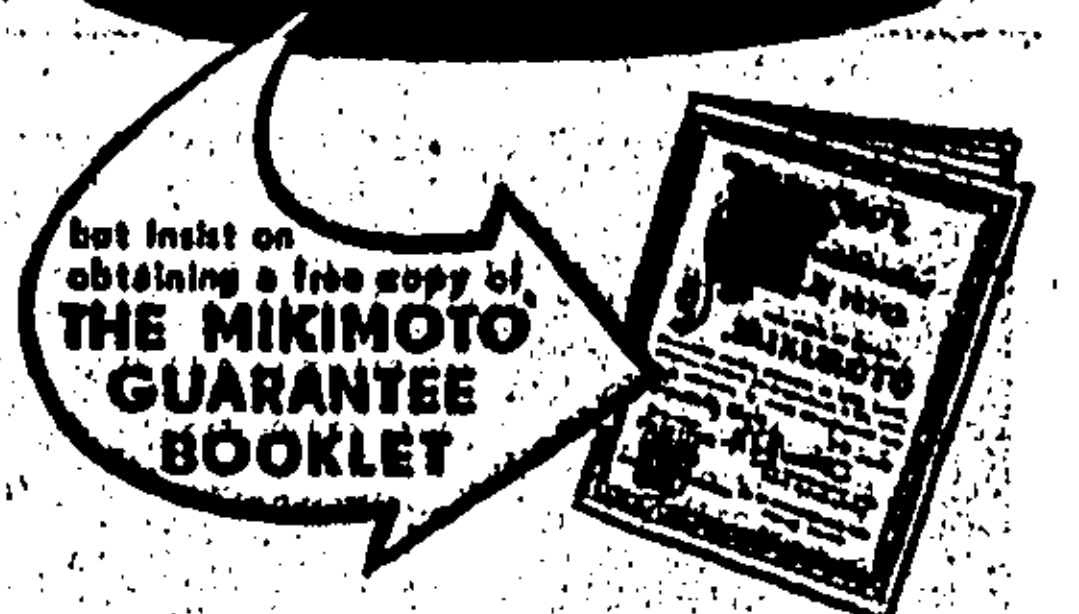
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 - Society (5).
 - Approaches (8).
 - Pull (4).
 - Incapacitated (8).
 - Wealthy (8).
 - Chickie with gas (8).
 - Modern reticules (8).
- DOWN
- Unpleasant (5).
 - Colour workers (5).
 - Strict liver (7).
 - Send out (4).
 - Throw up (4).
 - State, perhaps, but no fish (6).
 - Wilderness (8).
 - Pigment (8).
 - Spirit (5).
 - Brings into being (7).
 - Chastise (8).
 - Bird (5).
 - Garnish (5).
 - Snake (5).
 - Mute (4).
 - Difficulty (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3. Gueilla, 7. Lator, 8. Appoints, 10. Abrade, 13. Sotons, 15. Alle, 17. Meddles, 18. Franks, 20. Edge, 21. Terrier, 26. Dangle, 27. Lookings, 28. Prode, 29. Distracts. Down: 1. Alps, 2. Sharp, 3. Grate, 4. Hook, 5. Lull, 6. Avenue, 9. Parrot, 11. Beard, 12. Atoze, 14. Sootie, 16. Adorn, 18. Level, 19. Agitate, 22. Rangle, 23. Igloo, 24. Reiter, 25. Lava.

Heart-throb Howard will jolt the Censor

IT was thought that when Trevor Howard met Elsa Martinelli sparks would fly. And that they would not all be of an entirely romantic nature. For Miss Martinelli had told me in Venice that she found it implausible that a girl like her would fall for a man like Mr Howard, as she was required to do in their British film Manuela.

After all Mr Howard was very much the Englishman, and she was very much the Latin, and the blood in an Englishman's veins flowed with notorious reluctance, did it not?

But Miss Martinelli was so wrong.

Manuela is now complete, and when it is released later this year Mr Howard will for the first time, I am told, emerge as a heart-throb.

A NEW LOOK

His scene with Miss Martinelli (during many of which she is wearing nothing but a man's sweater) are liable to cause the Censor some concern.

The man responsible for launching Trevor Howard as the first Great Lover of the British cinema is producer Ivan Foxwell. He has given him:

(a) A new hair-style, making it tousled and thick instead of neat and flat.

(b) Specially tailored clothes: tight trousers, accentuated shoulders.

(c) The most flattering possible camera angles and lighting.

(d) And, of course, Miss Martinelli.

Mr Foxwell is counting on Mr Howard to redeem the Englishman's reputation as a lover. The success of his film depends on it. So to some extent, does Mr Howard's future.

Said Howard: "Nobody has ever thought of giving me the star-treatment before. Nobody has ever allowed me to play myself before. That is the danger of being considered a good actor."

"That is very nice, of course, but to survive in

this business you've got to be a star, whether you like it or not. And there were times in my career during the past few years when I didn't know where my next film was coming from."

Howard is much more than a good actor. He is an outstanding actor whose abilities have sometimes been inexplicably underrated. He has the sandpaper raw masculinity of a Bogart and the force of a Tracy. Why has this never been properly recognised?

"Because," said Howard, "I once made a film called Brief Encounter which did me a lot of harm. I was playing a part but to some extent I became identified with that role and was thought of as a kindly, suburban Englishman, with far more scruples where women are concerned than any film hero can afford to have."

The real Trevor Howard is, of course, completely unlike this. He is a roisterous character whose small talk is more Rabelaisian than suburban.

His attitude to women is not notably inhibited. He says: "I like a girl to be more interested in me than she is in my being interested in her."

And how did he feel about Miss Martinelli, the girl who had expressed such unladylike doubts about his charm?

"She is a nice girl. I never really got to know her. But she certainly has something. I never got too interested in her as a person. You can't afford to when you are playing torrid love scenes with a girl. Your timing would go all to pieces."

"That," he says, "is where being an actor helps."

THE MOODS OF MISS KITT

THE moods of Eartha Kitt are many and varied.

Her face can be as dead pan as a deathmask. Which can be disconcerting if you have just met her for the first time. Alternatively, she can be as giggly and mischievous as a child. She can be femme fatale one minute and the little girl lost the next. She can be haughty, insinuating, delightful and infuriating all in the space of one hour.

"You were quite right," she told me the other night, "to call me a porcupine. I am. On the other hand I am also a kitten. Burmese preferably. The reason I wrote my autobiography is because I wanted to show people that there is more to me than meets the eye." (The book, Thursday's Child, is published this month.)

I am quite ready to believe this though what meets the eye is plenty.

THAT PREMIERE

Last week Miss Kitt went to the premiere of Giant with the Negro actor Sidney Poitier, with whom she is making the film Accused. She was definitely in her porcupine mood. She did not have a smile for anyone. And her glance was withering.

When I had dinner with her this week she was in her Burmese kitten phase, and she explained what had happened at that premiere.

"Something went wrong. I left Sidney Poitier and went off afterwards and just walked through the streets. James Dean was one of my closest friends—I loved him dearly—and there he was, living on the screen, but he was dead. We used to talk for hours on the telephone from coast to coast, but now he had been taken away from me. Why? I have my problems. I get these moods, and then I don't want to talk to anybody and I don't want to give autographs and I brood."

On a Freudian level, Miss Kitt's problem is readily explicable. She wants love. Her whole life is a search for love. "I never knew my father," she said, "and my mother died when I was very young. I want everybody I meet to like me. That's why I'm always nervous before any encounter and why I don't make a good impression, perhaps, when I meet someone new."

"I've been getting my love in bits and pieces. In all sorts of forms—the applause of an audience, the recognition of other performers, the praise in newspapers. But I want my love in one piece. I don't think that impossible."

"It should be possible to get as much love as one needs from one man."

But Miss Kitt—28, and single—has still got to find that man. I wish her good hunting.

SHORT LIST!

ANNOUNCEMENT by 20th Century-Fox: "Among the leading ladies being considered for Kenneth More in his film The Sheriff of Fractured Jaw are—June Allyson, Joan Collins, Susan Hayward, Deborah Kerr, Marilyn Monroe, Jayne Mansfield, Sherree North, Jean Simmons and Dana Wynter. Nobody else?"

(London Express Service).

Go Wild And Be Happy

says Ruth Lloyd

A STYLISHLY dressed woman laid down her bag and gloves in the consultant's office and started to throw tea-cups across the room.

She was aiming at and hitting, not the psychiatrist, but a life-sized dummy of a man standing in the corner.

When she finished breaking a pile of crockery on the dummy, she was in tears but beginning to smile thankfully.

BACK TO WORK

This was the big store manager's eighth visit to the "personality consultant."

With the tension gone out of her she was ready then to go back to work and for the weekly conference with her boss.

She is one of scores of smart New York women and hard-pressed executives now flocking to this clinic to let off steam, get rid of their tensions and "hidden hostilities" on the dummy.

One man, national sales manager of the giant industrial combine General Foods, found himself so relieved by consultant Gylva Denes, his crockery, his dummy and his

talk, that he brought his wife and daughter, too.

HAPPY NOW

Now his womenfolk pay weekly visits on a different day from father.

The daughter no longer thinks her father a beast. The wife has stopped being terrified of him. They are a cosy family unit.

I sampled Hungarian Gylva Denes's treatment myself and am convinced it is no gimmick.

After shaking off my inhibitions, I thought of various things and people that needle me, and almost destroyed that dummy. Women patients, the consultant told me, are often asleep at first when told to talk to the dummy.

But induced to imagine it is their husband, boy friend or boss, they end by hurling insults as well as crockery at it. "Before she knows it, a woman will be raving at the dummy," Denes said. "Even the quietest will sometimes let off screams and curses and end by shaking the dummy."

The explosion turns to tears—that always brings release of tension. I leave her alone with a glass of water and a supply of handkerchiefs.

"When she is calmer we talk it and many things are revealed which wouldn't be without the help of the dummy."

In the relieving of their tensions, they disclose these hidden hostilities and often unreasonable hatreds and fears which bother most of us.

The consultant then analyses them and straightens out their emotional mix-ups.

And in Harley Street, the medical psychologist of a big London hospital said:

"This is not a new idea, though it has been developed in a typically American way. For years I have been telling patients—women especially—to save all their chipped and cracked crockery just for this. "When they feel all wrought up, they go into the kitchen and smash a few cups and plates against the wall. This uncivilised behaviour immediately releases the tension of their nerves and does them a power of good."

GO WILD!

"Other people besides frustrated housewives should try this. Men, for instance, who cannot talk back to their bosses."

"People who rarely, if ever, lose their temper and fly off the handle would release the bottled-up feelings within them if they sometimes 'went wild' with some old dishes in the kitchen."

would rather have been drowned in his bed than bear the noise which not only stopped all work but spoiled his happiest leisure hour—listening to Test Match commentaries.

Next winter half the roof was blown off. In the spring a new roof was built.

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Last year winter merged into summer. The easterly gales began in July and August.

LOOKING BACK OVER THE YEARS I MUST NOT FORGET THAT THE NAVY HAS BEEN BLOWING UP WAR-TIME WRECKS AT SEA ALMOST EVERY DAY SINCE 1947. EACH EXPLOSION SHOOK THE NEST AND CRACKED THE PLASTER.

This year your Uncle is putting some distance between himself and the cruel sea, the glum mud visitors, the yelling children and their crazy dogs. He is saying good-bye to them all.

(World copyright.)

NATHANIEL CUBBINS

AFTER nearly ten years in residence your Uncle Nat is leaving the Sea Nest. Here is his scrapbook for the period.

1947

This was the last consistently warm summer remembered on the sea front.

Despite rationing, everybody seemed happy and cheerful except your Uncle, who had not foreseen that the Sea Nest, standing a few yards from the promenade, would be too close to summer visitors.

These visitors were like the Lordly Ones in "The Immortal Hour." They "laughed and were glad and were terrible." Their children laughed and were glad and were terrible. Their dogs barked and were mad and even more terrible.

Work in the Sea Nest became difficult, particularly as the noise of amateur fishermen racing their outboard motors on the beach was added to the noise of the glad visitors, their terrible children, and mad dogs.

A fair on the front in September drove your Uncle from his home. So winter-time was welcomed as a period of peace and quiet.

1948

This winter was quiet enough until all the local children, who seemed madder than the visit-

ing children, were given roller skates for Christmas. Races were organised outside the Nest all day during the holidays and every afternoon after school.

In the middle of January came the great east wind from the sea a new experience for your Uncle. He didn't know it was strong enough to come through windows and even walls and hit his liver while he was in bed. Anyway, he thought it would last only a few days. It blew for six weeks.

1949

By this time your Uncle was asking himself which was the greater evil, the mad, glad visitors and their insane dogs in the summer or the winds of winter.

He thought the spring might be peaceful, but the visitors arrived for Easter and Whitsun in their cars, revving their engines, banging doors, and licking chocolate eggs.

Then he looked forward to the peace of autumn. The first firework was pushed through the letter box on Guy Fawkes' Day.

1950

The visitors that summer seemed gladder and madder and the women much fatter. Most food rationing was over.

When they weren't stuffing themselves to the tonsils in cafes they were sucking ice-cream, even though there was no cream available.

It was also a great year for babies. They were all over the front, screaming their heads off. You could hardly walk

anywhere without falling over a pram.

That winter the east wind was fiercer and blew tiles off the roof. Then the rains came—through the ceiling.

1951

A memorable winter during which the wind was so strong that your Uncle, the cowl on his duflie coat, sailing like a sail, was blown helplessly out of one low tavern down a side street into another low tavern. As nobody believes the truth his story was discredited when he fought his way home against the wind some hours later.

1952-57

These last years must be covered briefly owing to lack of space.

There was the year of the great March gale when the Sea Nest swayed and shuddered, when homes were flooded, when the front was ankle-deep in shingle and boats were parked across the road.

There was also the year where they began to build a new pier a few hundred yards away and your Uncle sat at his typewriter hoping for new ideas as he listened to the thump of steam hammers and the whine of mechanical saws.

The following summer a kind-hearted council provided a bulldozer to shore up the shingle. This must have been a special effort to protect their favourite Uncle from the cruel sea, because the bulldozer was always seemed to be just opposite the Nest.

The council might as well know now that their Uncle

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



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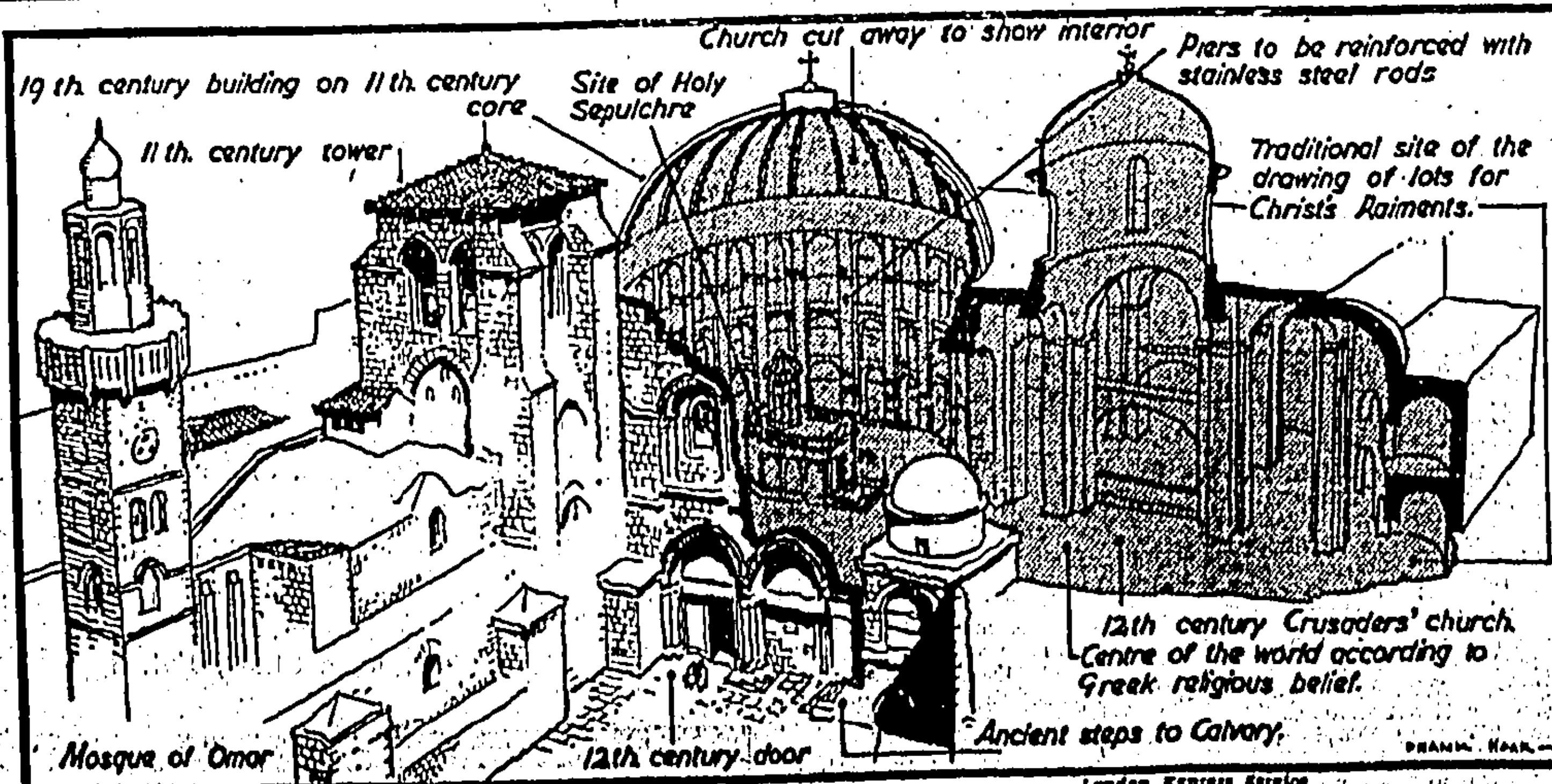
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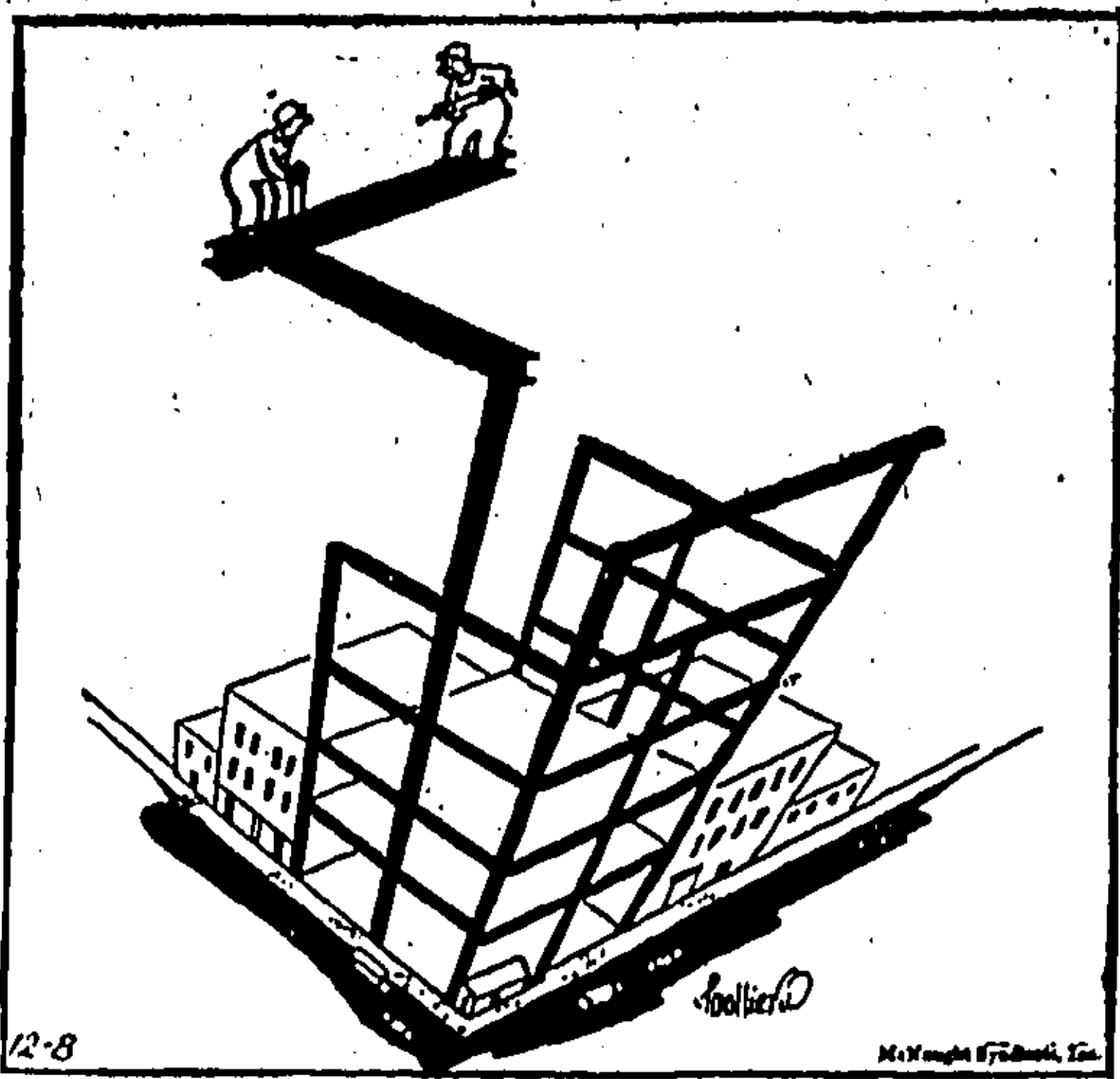
One is the Baroque Church of the Annunciation at Nazareth, which has been demolished to make room for a new shrine. The other two are the Church of the Nativity at Bethlehem, built in 320 AD over the traditional birthplace of Christ by Constantine, first Christian Emperor of Rome, and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, built by the same Emperor over the supposed site of the Resurrection, five years later.

The latter church is now being repaired under the direction of two distinguished British architects, David Stokes and Basil Spence, architect of Coventry Cathedral, aided by an international advisory group called by the six religious sects using the church.

The Emperor Hadrian, who destroyed Jerusalem in 135 AD, built a Temple of Venus over the Sepulchre in an attempt to efface the memory of Christ. Constantine's church was burned by the Persians in 614 AD and again by the Turks and the Caliph in the 10th and 11th centuries. The destruction of the rock-hewn Tomb itself was only partially successful.

The Crusaders finished yet another church in 1149 and this in essence is the building still to be seen, although badly damaged by fire in 1846. The old columns will have stainless steel supports threaded through them and the ancient building generally will be reinforced.

This Funny World



"Ya know, Mac, I'm beginning to think somebody goofed"

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

TU NE QUABSIERIS. Is it true that the Government is about to conduct the business of the country by hepatoscopy, and to extract from the liver of a ferret 30 or 40 policies, and plans?

This hard-headed age, which laughs at the superstitions of its forefathers, may yet be comforted by the boiling of three roots of cleopamine and a bunch of majoran, grubbed up under a gibbous moon by this jargon in a long black nightshirt and an Albanian hat covered with the signs of the Zodiac. Did not Aristotle of Nineveh cure his grandmother of

cramp in the left foot by peering between his legs at four minor planets? Did not 7,327,814 Babylonians become light-headed after burning on Don's car steeped in beetroot-juice?

The Podagian system

In Book IV of the Tristramnesia of Thoth there are detailed instructions for fortifying the weather by rubbing together two stalks of opomellian (furber) stimulatus (thymopatrial) and mixing shreds of these stalks with the left hoof of a two-year-old heifer ground to powder. That damnable old wizard Podagian (not to be confused with Hector's chariotiers) used a fossilised thymopatrian weed in forehead zaff, and when the Tigris overflowed its banks for the seventh time in a year, after 73 storms, the people drove out the old fool and his bewitched with many a shrewd curseword.

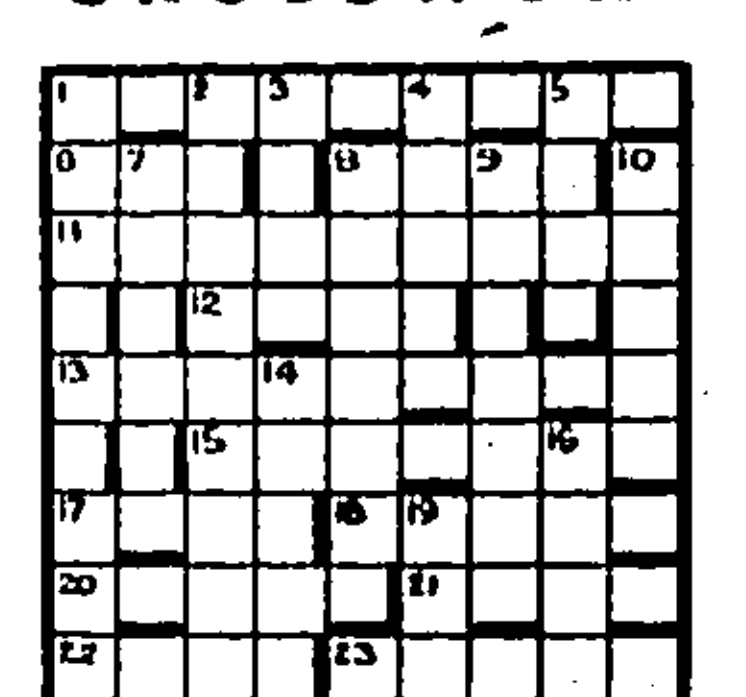
A talk on rhinoceroses

A NEW type of pin, which can penetrate the skin of a rhinoceros, seems to be exactly what is needed by all those who want to penetrate the skins of rhinoceroses with pins. Before this invention, one had to hammer nails into these skins, one forgets why. In the Town Hall at Rodez they have the only rhinoceros-skin tapestry in Europe, received from the life of Enguerrand de St. Chev. Ordinary pins simply break to bits against it. What makes the skin of a rhinoceros so tough? According to Dr. Balduz Daseh of Gese-Claggenburg it is their faulty diet. Their complexion is a divergence to the animal world.

Oh, I say, look here

THAT is no truth in the rumour that at the Athenaeum Club informers, disguised as members or waiters, report the conversation of the guests in hushed tones, or criticise the Government. "All this whispering in odd corners," said a bishop who chalked a message in code on his gullet, has been sent to Coventry."

CROSSWORD



Across
1. This gives the only ring many a girl ever gets. (9)
2. Place of the Blues. (6)
3. In her copy text stained by (8-9)
4. Do you look down in the mouth over this examination? (4)
5. The Romans used them to measure the miles. (4)
6. These cars are cheap. (4)
7. Found in Canadian forests. (4)
8. Embarrassed. (5)

Down
1. This brings far off things close to you. (7)
2. In this used for a dark lantern (4-5).
3. And anon. (4)
4. Quite a circus watching people jump through them. (6)
5. It sometimes has an egg for a handle. (7)
6. Pickings. (7)
7. They push out a small bet boat. (7)
8. A small boat associated (or in) a boat. (7)
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East deserves credit for defeating the alarm, but he should not have been given the opportunity. North and South should have played their own game instead of spades. They would lose a heart, trick, but there would be no need to give up to the ace and king of hearts and then run the spades in order to discard dummy's holding diamond on the fifth spade. This illustrates the advantage of playing with a trump suit divided 4-4.

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YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

BORN today, you have a great deal of initiative, and when you have a new idea, you set about doing something about it at once. You never let an idea hang around so that someone else has a chance to get ahead of you in production. The chances are that even if there is no opportunity ahead, you will call you an opportunist, but the truth is that you are extremely acute and some things move quickly than others.

You have a magnetic personality and all of the dramatic qualities of leadership. You may have a host of acquaintances, but very few really close friends. You have a tremendous curiosity about everything that goes on around you, and you want to know as much about as many things as possible. Avoid the error of learning a multitude of many things but no one thing thoroughly.

Since you think quickly, you can always come up with an answer to a problem. If you can't, you always know someone of whom you can ask advice. A born executive, you are able to get others to do what you want, and if one plan doesn't work, you'll immediately try another.

A fine public speaker, you have the habit of being able to persuade others to go along with your plans. Although your pathway through life may not always be an easy one, you will overcome all difficulties with comparative ease.

Among those born on this date were: Franklin Delano Roosevelt, U.S. President; Walter Dill Scott, musician; Walter Savage Landor, author; Greta Nissen, actress; John Fairlie, statesman; and Joseph Jastrow, psychologist.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

BORN today, you have a highly analytical mind and can usually judge people accurately upon first meeting. You are intuitive, almost psychic at times, and have the ability to influence people as you wish. Make sure that your ideas are held high and that you use this power for good instead of evil—for the force is there to influence in either direction. Your sense of justice is keen, and it is most likely that you will be an influence for good throughout your entire life.

Your talents are varied, but you have a definite feeling for the dramatic, and the stage, screen, radio or television might prove your best medium for self-expression. You also have literary gifts, and a keen critical sense. You may find that you are a juster in that direction, as well. In fact, you are one of those all-around

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—If you are unable to solve matters yourself and feel you need the help of law enforcement, don't hesitate to ask for it.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—You must find that you are a juster, and patient with progress on today. Try to be as calm as possible.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—If you are meeting the need for then this is not your day! Better to make future plans now than to act.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—If you think someone is deceiving or your help, you could make money, but if it is adequately backed.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Home duties will appear pressing, but get an evening's rest. You will be pleasantly surprised how fast they get finished.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—If you have a friend in the

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

BORN today, you have fluctuating moods and one can never be quite sure how you are going to be on any one day. Some of the times you don't know yourself! You are talented and have gifts in many directions. Your friends excuse your temper, as coming from one having artistic temperament. Others are not always in kind and it behooves you to seek emotional stability early in life. You are inclined to scatter your energies over too wide a field and this tends to lessen the efficiency of your activities.

You are definitely musical and may have a talent for composing, as well as poetry, literature and the dramatic arts are other fields in which you might achieve success. But to succeed at anything, you must learn to concentrate on your major objective. Turn all your energies toward reaching some definite goal and success can be yours.

Highly emotional, you are apt to be demonstrative in showing your feelings. You are a loyal and loving friend but can also turn into a bitter and even dangerous enemy if

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Begin a new month with a new enterprise. The stars have given their blessing for its success.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If you are in charge of things at the office, then you may anticipate success in handling a project.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Mechanics dealing in perishable goods needing rapid turnover should meet with better than usual success.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Should you need to make a quick week-end trip, either for business or pleasure, the aspects are favourable.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You may become impatient with the lack of speed in something that has been a long time in the making.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—If someone owes you a debt, you have a good chance of getting it returned to you. Why not ask for it?

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Deals involving financial matters involving financial matters involved today. Let things cool off before acting.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Those of you who work with mechanics and tools should find that all goes well with you at the shop today.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—A fine day for all those in the service. A possible week-end pass for a driving visit?

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—It will be difficult today to adjust our misunderstandings, so be careful not to become involved in any.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Minor frictions in marriage are bound to crop up today, but your tact and diplomacy can be of great help.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Should your work call for dealing with customers, then anticipate successful negotiations now.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Begin a contemplated journey. If it is a vacation, this is a good time to start.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Don't let your emotions take hold in important career matters. This is a time for balanced judgment.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Get an early start on a job and you will be exceedingly successful. It calls for manual dexterity.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—You are quite sure to make decisions of importance for your term stability. Think things through more carefully.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—If you handle or deal in precious stones, the stars indicate special good fortune for you now.

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WOMANSENSE

The Girl With A Plan Gets More Fashion For Her Money

By HAZEL MEYRICK

THE girl who dresses on a shoe-string—yet manages to look as though her clothes are cut at the couturiers—is the girl with a plan. Not for her the impulsive buy... the dress that looked so wonderful in the window but quarrelled with everything else in the wardrobe... the floppy hat that came unstuck at the first sign of a breeze... the embroidered sweater in a dreadful shade of puce that the salesgirl said looked 'lovely'. Each year around this time, the girl with a plan will clear out of her closet all the things that are merely taking up hanger-space, look over what is left, and decide on her buying campaign for the year ahead.

Here, for those who decide to follow her example, are seven pointers towards getting more

fashion for your money, seven ways to dress well, yet leave some loose change in your purse:

Start off with a good, basic wardrobe: Decide on a colour scheme and buy a matching suit and topcoat in it. If you're a working girl you'll probably choose black, which will obligingly sit in with anything from tweeds to jerseys. An all-black wardrobe will see you through all occasions round the clock with a suitable switch of accessories. Other good choices are charcoal grey, navy blue—but beware of brown, particularly if you're a brunette because it's difficult to match up successfully. And it can easily look drab.

Be clever with colour: Give your clothes an individual touch and leave the hackneyed colour schemes to the other gals. Liven up neutral shades with sharp orange, olive green, sapphire blue. Try spicing a navy suit with bitter yellow or shocking pink instead of the inevitable white. Accessorise charcoal grey with lilac, lime green, and with black try the addition of coffee and white.

Pay attention to your shape: The stock-sized girl wins, hands down, when it comes to buying inexpensive clothes. It's more difficult to disguise a bulge in a cheap off-the-peg dress than one that is made to measure, so whistle away those unwanted inches by diet and exercise, and pay a little extra for good foundation garments.

Choose dual-purpose clothes: Look for summer dresses for instance, that will double for out-of-season parties, like one of the new shirt-waisters in voile mounted on cotton which have been designed by a British dress firm. They look lovely in all kinds of colourings, are best in dark pastels backed with white cotton.

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A formal dress in string-coloured shantung with a set-in belt which knots casually above the waist in front. The matching stole-bolero is lined with printed silk.

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

How Do You Count Stars?

—The Magnificent Magician's Way Didn't Work—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and **HANID**, the shadow children with the turned-about names, were standing by the window looking out at the sky.

"Just look at all those stars," said Hanid to her brother.

"I wonder how many there are," said Knarf.

"Let's count them," said Hanid.

So they started counting them. They didn't get very far. Soon they were so mixed up that they had to stop.

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HOW TO FOIL SWINDLERS

Canadian Mounties

Offer Advice

Ottawa, Jan. 29.

To combat crime, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the "Mounties" who are reputed always to "get their man," recommend to the public the simplest of common sense precautions rather than the cloak and dagger methods of so many detective stories.

Inspired by losses of 2,000,000 dollars (about 2,700,000 sterling) a year in forged cheques and 450,000 dollars (over 510,000 sterling) of bad paper money being passed in Canada, the Mounties have issued a booklet designed to educate the public.

This is the composite portrait which they paint of the crook or swindler who may try to victimize the reader of the booklet. He will be a stranger, and very plausible, say the Mounties, though "not all strangers are crooks, but crooks are usually strangers."

MANY FORMS

His approach may take many forms but always there is a cheque to be cashed or a deposit to be made. He will be expecting trouble and have plans to leave in a hurry. Delay will make him nervous. He usually has identity documents,

which may be forged or stolen. Often he will get a woman confederate to cash the cheques while he waits outside, or sometimes he employs a juvenile.

He purchases low cost money orders, often, and then cashes them. He finds it more profitable to cash a lot of small cheques, say under a hundred dollars, (about 234 sterling) than to cash one big one. But, the "bigger the cheque, the bigger the front."

To defeat such crooks, the Mounties suggest simple precautions, such as never cashing cheques written in pencil or showing alterations.

Never accept a certified cheque as genuine without checking, because swindlers make their own rubber stamps marked "accepted."

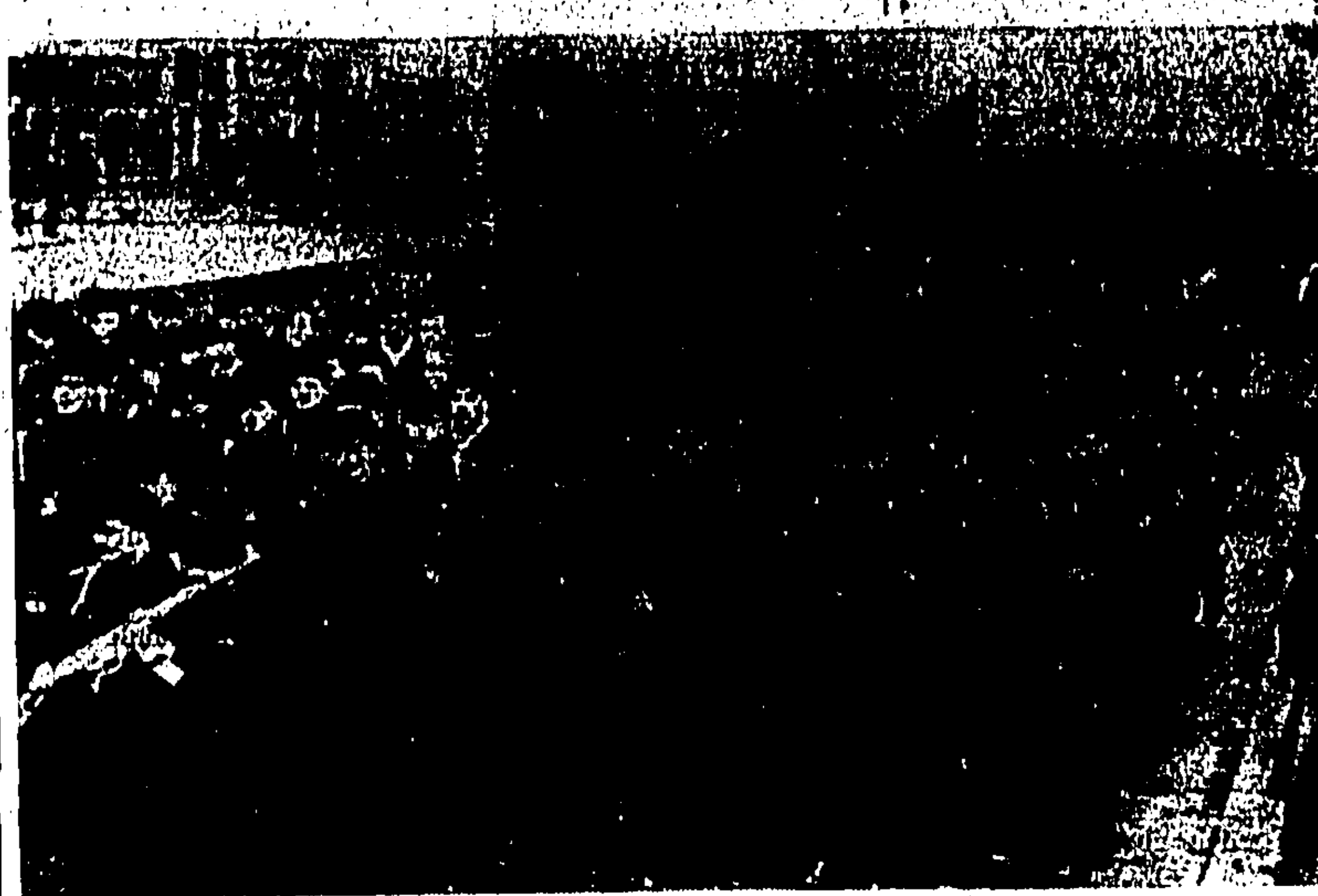
Do not leave company cheques where they may be stolen by strangers.

NOTHING TO FEAR

Do not be afraid to question the person offering a cheque since an honest man has nothing to fear.

A swindler will have answers ready for a few questions but a lot of them will start him off towards the door. When postal money orders are stolen, they are often cashed by means of a stamp made in the likeness of the office of their origin.

Take, in fact, the same sort of precautions as a bank takes, the Mounties urge the public.—China Mail Special.



Communists in the Eastern zone of Berlin held a parade to honour the memory of Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg, murdered 35 years ago.—Express Photo.

Russians Solve Oil Embargo

Colombo, Jan. 29.

The Russians today succeeded in breaking the embargo on bunkering Communist ships by anchoring a tanker outside Colombo harbour to refuel Russian, Chinese and Polish vessels calling here.

The tanker Jednov refuelled the Russian freighter Sukhona. The Sukhona entered port and was waiting for another Russian freighter. The bunkering embargo was imposed by American oil companies.

The US Naval attaché in Colombo, Mr. C. Wilcox, said the United States was under obligation to enforce the United Nations embargo on Communist shipping in view of the fact that Russian and Chinese vessels do not declare their cargo on their manifests and US authorities do not board these vessels to inspect cargo.—United Press

Dog Recommended For Award

Kuala Lumpur, Jan. 29.

An English dog which fought off a man-eating tiger will be recommended for a decoration for heroism, an official of the Malayan Kennel Association said today.

The official said he would recommend the award to the London headquarters of the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The dog, "Lamortan Blanca," owned by a plantation manager, Mr. Ian Davidson, formerly of Woodford, Northamptonshire, pounced on the tiger when it entered the Davidson's home.

Rangers shot the tiger at the weekend a few days after it killed a Chinese girl on the estate.—China Mail Special.

GM For Two Australians

London, Jan. 29.

The Queen today awarded the George Medal to two Australian cadets for "gallant conduct" in attempting to rescue five of their comrades from drowning.

Receiving Britain's second highest civilian award for bravery were staff Cadets David Wycliffe Ford and Keven Victor William Gooding, both of the Corps of Staff Cadets at the Royal Military College of Australia.

The citation, published in today's London Gazette, said the awards were made for "prolonged and heroic efforts to rescue five of their comrades struggling in the icy waters and cold winds of Lake George, Australia."—United Press.

BRAZILIAN WANTS TO MEET THE QUEEN

Sao Paulo, Jan. 29.

A 20-year-old Brazilian named Vitorio Pirrongelli, has a single ambition—to get to England and meet Queen Elizabeth II.

All his time and energy is devoted to achieving this aim. He has forsaken education and employment to spend his whole time studying the life and history of the British Royal family. He pursues every newspaper, book, magazine and pamphlet, local and foreign, on which he can lay his hands for even the smallest item of information. He has scrap-books full of clippings and photographs.

All the knowledge he thus collects, he memorizes, until, today, he firmly believes that there is nothing which has been published or is public information about Queen Elizabeth that he does not know by heart.

Interest Kindled

Born in the town of Obidos, in the state of Para, Brazil, of Italian parents, on May 10, 1936, Vitorio's interest in British royalty was kindled when he happened to read, at the age of five, the story of the abdication of King Edward VIII in order to marry "the woman I love."

He immediately began keeping a scrapbook on activities of the Royal family.

Through the reign of King George VI, his interest grew, but began to focus particularly on the activities of Princess Elizabeth.

"I have followed her life as closely as it is possible for anyone to," confesses Vitorio, through an interpreter, for he speaks no English. "I admire her tremendously."

Since he does not understand English, Vitorio's task of acquiring facts about the Queen has been made more difficult. But he has succeeded in everything even that barrier to his ardent search.

After completing his secondary school education, Vitorio took a job in an office. For a month, he worked by day and, at night and during the week-ends, he worked diligently to acquire more information about the Queen and verify all that he has amassed through the years.

Undaunted

Undaunted, he made friends with Vincent Flores, an English teacher here who was born in England. Mr. Flores, impressed by Vitorio's sincere and insatiable desire for knowledge of the Queen, undertook to translate for Vitorio all English language articles about her into Portuguese without charge.

Since one of the objects of his study is to create a greater interest in the Queen of England, Vitorio does not hesitate to impart his knowledge to anyone who will listen.

As a result, about six months ago, some friends suggested that he might put his learning to good use to further his ambition to go to England and meet the Queen. Why not, they suggested, try to get on the television quiz show "O Ceu e O Limite" (The Sky and the Limit).

Immediately, Vitorio applied for an opportunity to appear in the show, one of the most popular in Brazil, in the hope of winning 300,000 cruzeiros (4,600 United States dollars—about \$2,600 at official rates of exchange).

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Even Thinner

A thin, nervous, sallow-skinned youth, Vitorio grew even thinner, more nervous and more sallow until, as one acquaintance said: "He looked like death walking."

Finally, with the approval of his widowed mother, Vitorio left his job to devote all his time to his obsession—without jeopardizing his health.

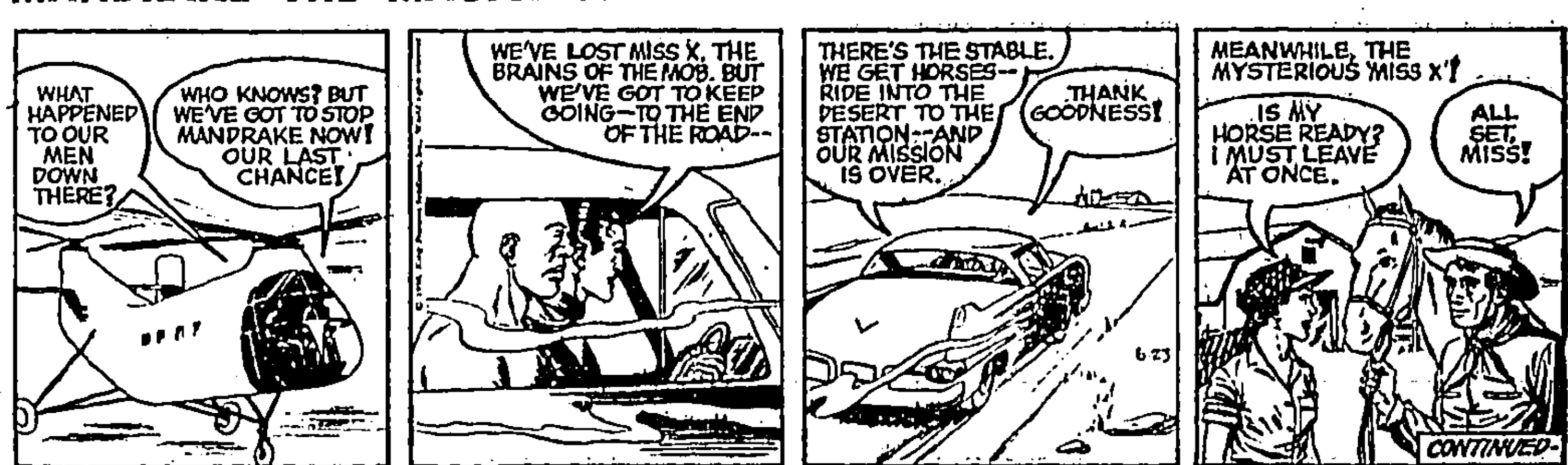
Vitorio refused to call this study of the British Royal family a hobby, because the word for "hobby" in Portuguese, his native tongue, means something to do when one has nothing better to occupy his time. This, he argues, is not true of him.

"Time is an interest which comes from the heart and the soul," he explains. "It is a part of me that cannot be denied. I do not consider it a waste of time, or work. For me, to do it is pleasure. I do it purely for love."

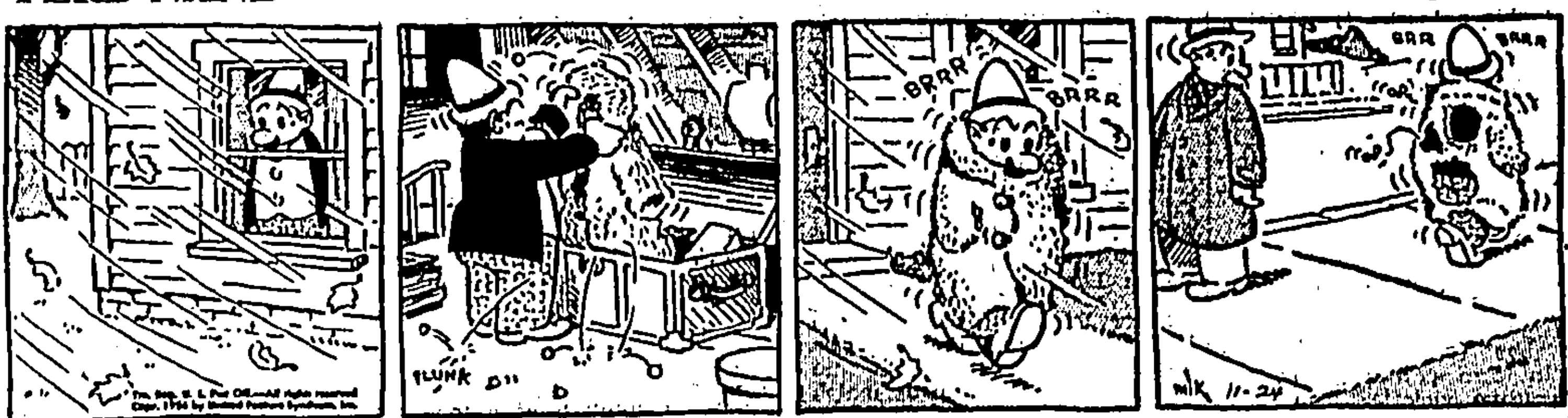
His Dreams

Although he is Brazilian born, Vitorio declares: "I like to feel I am a subject of the Queen." If he gets a chance to win the jackpot on "O Ceu e O Limite," he dreams of going to England to live and work—and become a real subject of the Queen.—China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



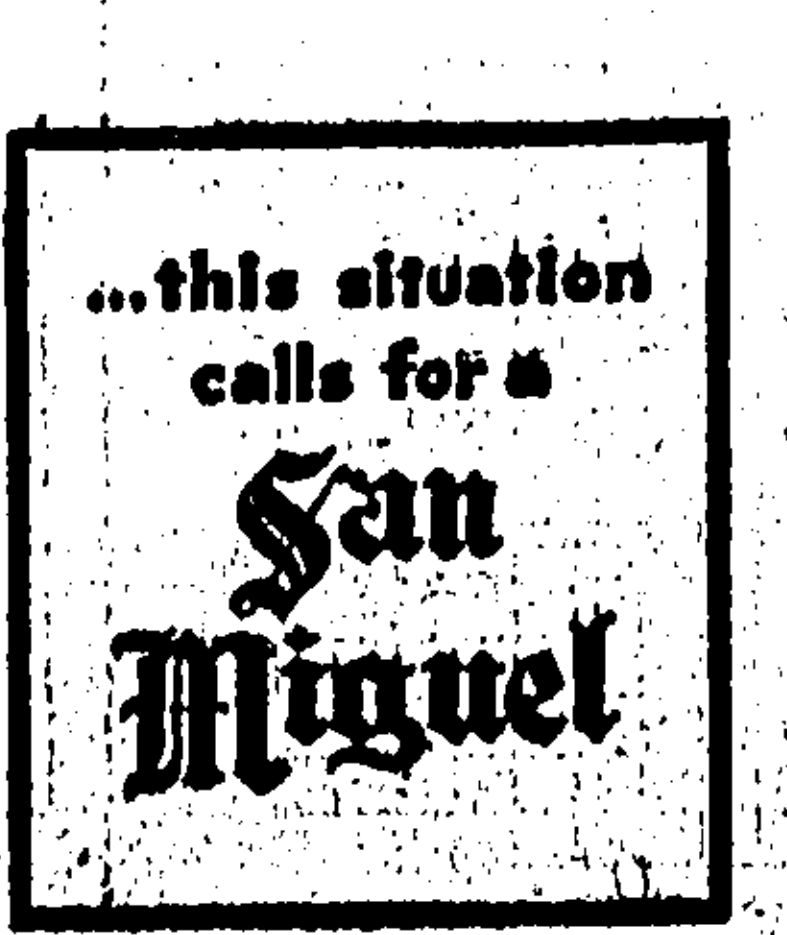
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Public Service Strike In Paris

Paris, Jan. 29.

Stoppages crippled several public services in France today when social security employees, grave-diggers and garbage collectors went on strike.

Garbage piled up in the streets of some quarters of Paris. Funeral employees, cemetery guards, water works employees, sewer workers, street cleaners and street repair workers also took part in the strike, which varied in length from one hour to all day.—France-Press.

Nuclear Tests From Balloons


Albuquerque, Jan. 29.

Some of the forthcoming nuclear test explosions at the American Atomic Energy Commission's testing grounds here will involve the use of captive balloons.

Instead of being launched from planes or being attached to towers, the atomic charge will be sent up in balloons tethered to the earth by steel cables.

Starting on Monday morning, security trials with non-atomic charges will be held. It was announced at the Atomic Energy Commission's headquarters in Albuquerque.—France-Press.

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

The Load Of Trouble

A KIND of automation earlier than that which causes men to wonder now, was Henry's undoing.

For 25 years, he worked as a carter, team-mate in more than one sense to the proud, ponderous, glossy horses that he drove.

Then Henry's employers switched from horse-drawn carts to motor-vehicles, and he had not the heart to educate his hands and mind to steering wheels and gears. Instead of reins and whip, he became a road-sweeper.

NEXT BEST THING

ILLNESS ended that job for Henry, who spent two years in hospital with duodenal trouble. Last June, he was discharged as fit, and he set about looking for work.

The longing to be on the road again was upon him but at 51 he felt too old and too little sure of himself to take up motor driving.

He did the next best thing and became driver's mate in a wholesale tobaccoist's firm. Part of his job was to load up his van. As he was doing this the other morning, he was seen to pocket two packets of cigarettes.

SHAME

AT Bow Street Henry pleaded guilty to the theft. "No previous convictions," said the police, and sketched in his prosaic life story. "Nothing I can say, except sorry," Henry mumbled, and looked down at his boots. They glanced at the boots do of men who have worked with horses and harness. "Has he lost his job?" asked

Death Of Chinese Millionaire

Singapore, Jan. 30. A millionaire bus owner and prominent pro-Nationalist Chinese leader, Mr. Tay Koh-yat, died last night at his home in Singapore of a heart attack. The late Mr. Tay, who was also one of the leading Chinese philanthropists in the Colony, was 74 years old.—France Presse.

Sir Laurence Dunne, The policeman nodded.

"I don't suppose in these days there's much hope of his getting another," Sir Laurence observed. Turning to Henry, he said: "It's sad to see a man of your good character and age stooping to this. Pay a fine of 40s."

Henry nodded and went away. His head was bowed and he wore his shame for the world to see. It seemed like an old-fashioned virtue belonging to another age.

Explosion On Tanker: 7 Killed

Alameda, Calif., Jan. 29. A series of explosions ripped the superstructure off the marine transport tanker as Jenny at the Todd Shipyards here today, killing seven workers and injuring more than 40 others.

Five bodies were recovered in the boiler room, three decks below the main deck, by firemen and Navy fire control men who cut through the hull with acetylene torches. A sixth body was found in the hold and another worker died in hospital.

At 3:30 p.m., three hours after the explosions, a spokesman for the shipyard's manager said the fire had been extinguished and the ship secured.

CAUSE UNKNOWN

The spokesman said the smoldering bulk had been checked and added: "We do not believe anyone still is trapped below decks."

He said the cause of the explosions had not been determined. A fleet of 25 ambulances shuttled the injured to hospital. The fire blazed for more than 90 minutes after the first explosion ripped through the 10,000-ton ship, which was being reactivated from the "mothball" fleet to be used to transport oil to Europe.—United Press.

US Wants More Restrictions On Trade With Reds

Washington, Jan. 29. Informed sources said tonight that the United States had suggested to its allies that controls on shipments of material to all Communist countries should be reviewed in the light of the situation in Eastern Europe and Soviet meddling in the Middle East.

They said that officially the US was merely "sounding out the views" of the nations represented on the Coordinating Committee for Export Control in Paris, but the implication definitely was that the American government believed more restrictive measures should be adopted.

So far, however, the US has not formally proposed a meeting of the committee in Paris. The nations concerned are being asked whether they would favour such a meeting.

Primary emphasis in the discussions the US has had so far with individual countries concerns shipments to the Soviet Union in Europe, since it is the Eastern European and Mediterranean troubles which have prompted the suggestion of a review.

Officials acknowledged, however, that the American suggestion for a "review" of the situation also included the matter of shipments to Red China, and also said the Chinese in getting rid of "the yoke of Communism."—United Press.

Flynn Doubles Winnings

New York, Jan. 29. Errol Flynn, who has played devil-may-care characters in sea adventure films, increased his television show earnings tonight to \$20,000 by "gambling" to double his money on questions about "ships and the sea."

Flynn, appearing on the NBC TV programme "The Big Surprise," declined to insure the \$10,000 he won last week by answering a relatively easy question in his category. The quiz rules allow a contestant to "insure" his winnings to that date at any time during the contest. Instead, Flynn chose to go on for the \$20,000.

"I'm gambling," he said. "But then I've always been a gambler." Flynn answered correctly a complicated three-part question about seamanship dealing with the keeping of log books, tides and rope knots.

A sailing enthusiast, Flynn will return next week when he will have a chance to "insure" his \$20,000 or try for \$30,000. Flynn said that his 72-year-old mother, who lives in Jamaica, had applied to appear on the programme because "if you can win \$10 on a quiz show, then I can win \$1,000."—United Press.

SHROFF AGAIN REMANDED

A Hongkong Jockey Club ticket shroff, charged with the larceny of 5,000 cash sweep tickets, was further remanded seven days by Mr. Derek Cons at Central this morning. Chung Shiu-chun, 26, of 382 Nathan Road, ground floor, is alleged to have committed the offence on or about January 24. He is on bail of \$5,000. Chung was represented by Mr. L. J. d'Almeida Remedios and Company.

Police Promotions

The Gazette announces the following Assistant Superintendents of Police have been promoted to the rank of Superintendent of Police: Messrs R. F. G. White, W. B. Scragg, E. P. Grace, A. E. Shave, J. W. Brown, M. C. Hing-worth, R. F. Smith and R. White.

University Council

Mr. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. R. C. Lee and Dr. D. K. Samy have been re-appointed members of the Council of the University of Hongkong for a period of three years. It is announced in today's Gazette.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"There are 1,001 baby diseases in this book and she hasn't had one of 'em yet—I'll bet she gets them all at once!"

Sentence Reduced By Half

A clerk, given three years for larceny by servant and embezzlement, had the sentence reduced by half at the Appeals Court this morning when Mr. Justice A. D. Scholes held that he had been a victim of great temptation.

The appellant, Lai Ki, described by the Crown as an underpaid employee, had been sentenced by Mr. T. L. Yang on December 29, last year, when he pleaded guilty.

Lai had admitted stealing \$9,228.50 from his employer, Lau Chuen, on December 19, and embezzling \$1,623.50 on December 17.

Appealing against sentence, Lai said his older brother had been arrested by the Communists in China some time ago and that his sister-in-law and her four children depended on him for support. Lai said also that he was betrothed for some years and asked for a reduction so he could get married. Furthermore, it had been his first offence.

SORELY TEMPTED Mr. W. S. Collier, Crown Counsel, said he felt it his duty to bring to the Court's attention some facts, since the magistrate had not set them down and since appellant was not represented.

Crown Counsel said there had been a "tremendous amount of temptation" extended to him by his employer. Mr. Collier said the Lord Chief Justice of England had had occasion to state that such temptation was a matter which should be considered in imposing sentence.

Counsel submitted that the Court was entitled to interfere with any sentence if it was manifestly excessive, or if it had been given upon wrong principles. Unfortunately, he said, it was not known what principles the magistrate had considered, because they were not recorded.

"I would say this sentence is excessive. As appellant has said, it is his first offence," Mr. Collier said. Counsel said the magistrate imposed the maximum sentence that a magistrate could pass. He said that, as so often happened in the Colony, the appellant was paid a pittance as salary and then entrusted with large sums of money by his employer.

\$20 A MONTH It had not been disputed, he said, that he went to gamble with the money, in the hope of making a profit. Appellant was paid only \$20 a month, with board and lodging. He made some commission, but despite all this, his income was still very low.

"For a man with that wage," Mr. Collier said, "\$49,000 is a very large sum of money. There is no excuse for what he did, but I cannot say, in all conscience, having regard to the circumstances, that I can support the sentence."

In reducing the sentence, Mr. Justice Scholes said the prisoner had pleaded guilty to two serious offences, but he would take into account the mitigating factors and also the fact that he had been truthful when he appeared in Court.

BANK AWARDED JUDGMENT

Judgment, with costs, for \$17,082.82 was awarded the Hongkong and Swatow Commercial Bank Ltd. of 48-A Bonham Strand West in a claim under a bill of exchange before Mr. Justice J. R. Gregg in the Supreme Court this morning.

The bill of exchange, which was dishonoured, related to the purchase of woollen textiles from Japan by the defendants, Chung Hing Trading Co., Ltd., whose address was given as room 410, American International Building, 12-14 Queen's Road Central, and Lai Kwong-chun, its manager.

Plaintiffs were represented by Mr. Oswald Cheung, instructed by Mr. F. H. B. Wong of Messrs C. Y. Kwai and Co.

Defendants were absent. Mr. Cheung said that plaintiffs were a bank and on January 19, 1956, the second defendant, who was the manager of the first defendant company, asked plaintiffs to open a letter of credit in favour of a firm in Tokyo from whom first defendants wanted to buy some woollen textiles.

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On March 23 the draft was presented by plaintiffs to the first defendant company, together with invoices for the goods. The first defendant accepted the draft without any qualification, Mr. Cheung said.

A GUARANTOR The application was also signed by the second defendant as guarantor, a Counsel. A margin of \$3,000 was paid to plaintiffs by the defendant company.

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IN DIFFICULTIES Counsel said that towards the middle of May, 1956, it seemed that the defendants were in financial difficulties and when asked for payment of the draft were unable to meet it.

The draft was subsequently presented formally to the first defendant company but no one could be found who would pay it. Later when payment was not forthcoming, Counsel said that his instructing solicitors issued a writ.

Yau Shung-poon, assistant managing director and manager of the plaintiff bank, corroborated the course of the case by his evidence, adding he had known the second defendant for over 20 years. The application for the letter of credit was signed by second defendant as guarantor in his (witness's) presence.

Judgment for the sum claimed together with interest at 6 per cent per annum from March 2, 1956, and costs, were awarded plaintiff company.

Star Ferry Co. Dividend

The Directors of the Star Ferry Co., Ltd., announced that at the forthcoming ordinary yearly meeting of the members of the Company they will recommend the payment of a final dividend of \$5.50 per share in respect of the year ended December 31, 1956. With the interim dividend of \$3.50 paid on August 1, 1956, this will make the total dividend payment for the year \$9 per share.

University Court

His Excellency the Governor has re-appointed the following to be members of the Court of the Hongkong University for a period of three years: Mr. R. O. Hall, Mr. Hon. Man-wai, Mr. J. R. Jones, Mr. L. Kadorie, Mr. Lee Iu-cheung, Mr. R. C. Lee, Mr. Leung Fung-ki, Mr. Leung Yew, Mr. Lo Ming-nung, Mr. J. H. Rutton, Mr. W. N. T. Tam, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, Dr. E. Thwaite, Mr. B. Wong, Mr. C. W. H. Yeh, Dr. E. L. Gwan, Mr. W. S. S. T. Louie, Mr. G. E. Marden, Mr. Bunnun Tung and Mr. U. T. chies.

Textile Mission Leaves Impressed

The British Cotton Board mission in a prepared statement this morning said that they were "much impressed" by the efficiency and good working conditions of Hongkong's cotton mills.

The statement, which was issued by Sir Cuthbert Clegg, the leader of the mission, before he and his party left by Air India International for Bombay, went on to say that the delegation hoped that a "better understanding" between the Lancashire and Hongkong cotton industries would result from their visit.

The delegation has been in Hongkong for almost a week learning more about the Colony's textile industry. They arrived in Hongkong on Thursday.

FRANK DISCUSSIONS The following is the prepared statement: The United Kingdom delegation on leaving Hongkong would like to express its appreciation of the reception they have been given here.

They had frank discussions with representatives of Hongkong's cotton industry on problems of mutual interest which will lead to a better understanding between the two industries and the benefit of both of them.

Members of the delegation visited cotton mills in Hongkong and have been much impressed by their efficiency and the good working conditions which they provide.

It is hoped that the contacts thus established between the two industries will prove beneficial in the months ahead.

Opium Addict Fined \$1,000

For possessing approximately 60 pounds of raw opium (value \$4,200), the assistant cook aboard the mv Mui Hock was this morning fined \$1,000 or two months by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central Magistracy.

The opium was ordered to be confiscated. The man, Cheng Sui-seng, pleaded guilty through his counsel, Mr. J. C. Wilman of Johnson, Stokes and Masters. RI L. Dunning appeared for the prosecution.

RI Dunning stated that opium was seized aboard the ship, while anchored in Yau-mat, during the afternoon of January 28. Mr. Wilman, in asking for leniency stated that defendant admitted to having been an opium addict for the last ten years. The opium seized was for his own consumption. The defendant also had to support his family, at present in China.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments by His Excellency the Governor were announced in the Gazette this morning: Mr. J. P. Ascrappa to be acting District Commissioner, New Territories, during the absence of Mr. K. M. A. Barnett; Dr. Rudy Khoo Kian-kan, Dr. Yung-yung, and Dr. Mak Lim as Radiologists, Medical Department, on probation; Mr. Lam Po-hun, acting General Manager, Kowloon Railway, during the absence of Mr. J. B. Travoy.

Polling Station

The industrial estates display centre of the Chinese Manufacturers' Union, Exhibition situated on the Central Government Station, has been designated a polling station for Urban Council elections, according to an announcement in today's Government Gazette.

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